



## PRAYER LETTER 52

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### *Introduction to prayer*

Migration crises are increasingly important in Europe and elsewhere. Lately, the media have described the insecurity in Afghanistan; and also, the political stakes in Belarus, Poland and Europe in general which have left thousands of refugees deadlocked and destitute; and finally, the catastrophic situation in Lebanon where those who can afford it immigrate elsewhere hoping for a better future, especially for young people.

If these migrations are "headaches" for the receiving countries and the organizations concerned, what about those who must immigrate: insecurity and fear of the unknown, loss of all their property for some, precarious life, disappointed hope of a better future elsewhere, separation from their family, lack of what is a priority for survival ...

### *Prayer*

*Lord Jesus, we first are thankful for the privilege of having security and what is necessary for our life. And it is with our helplessness and sometimes our incomprehension that we turn to you, the Sovereign to whom the Father has given all authority.*

*We say sorry to you for all the decisions that are taken out of thirst for power, corruption or political stake that endanger and bring misery to the survival of so many other humans. Show us how to be your workers for peace: in prayer, in word or in deed when possible.*

*We pray that, through your influence, organizations serving migrants and host countries will receive wisdom to provide for the needs of these refugees with love, justice and respect, so that not only the physical needs are met, but also the emotional and psychological needs. To all who have lost everything, provide safety and comfort. Direct them to people who can understand them, listen to them, give them the empathy they need to be able to move forward into this future so uncertain for them.*

*You said in your Word that you have good plans and not bad plans. Hear their innermost desires for themselves or their families and bless them regardless of their circumstance.*

*Amen!*